

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20436

**MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION
of the 109th Congress¹**

[Date approved: June 7, 2006]²

Bill No. and sponsor: H.R. 3346 (Mr. Ray LaHood of Illinois).

Proponent name, location: DuPont, LaPorte, TX.

Other bills on product (109th Congress only): H.R. 3015.

Nature of bill: Temporary duty suspension through December 31, 2009.

Retroactive effect: None.

Suggested article description(s) for enactment (including appropriate HTS subheading(s)):

2-Benzylthio-3-ethyl sulfonyl pyridine (CAS No. 175729-82-5) (provided for in HTS subheading 2933.39.61).

Check one: ☐ Same as that in bill as introduced.
☒ Different from that in bill as introduced (see Technical comments section).

Product information, including uses/applications and source(s) of imports:

The subject synthetic organic chemical is an intermediate that is used to manufacture various herbicide products that are used for post-emergence grass and weed control, principally on corn. The subject product is imported from China.

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

HTS subheading: <u>2933.39.61</u>					
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Col. 1-General rate of duty	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$6,400,000	\$6,500,000	\$6,500,000	\$7,100,000	\$7,400,000
Customs revenue loss	\$416,000	\$422,500	\$422,500	\$461,500	\$481,000

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Industry estimates.

¹ Industry analyst preparing report: Philip Stone (202-205-3424); Tariff Affairs contact: David Michels (202-205-3440).

² Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at http://usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel_doc/bill_reports/index.htm.

Contacts with domestic firms/organizations (including the proponent):

Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	US production of same or competitive product claimed?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?
		(Yes/No)		
DuPont (Proponent) Sharee Lawler, 202-728-3664	11/14/2005	No	No	No
AtoFina Cerex Charles Kitchin, Fax: 703-527-2092	11/14/2005	No	No	No
BASF Corporation Greg Thies, Fax: 202-558-5101	11/14/2005	No	No	No
Bayer CropScience Karen L. Niedermeyer, Fax: 412-777-4740	11/14/2005	No	No	No
Crop Life America Lawrence Norton, Fax: 202-463-0474	11/14/2005	No	No	No
Dow Agro Science Lisa Schroeter, Fax: 202-429-3467	11/14/2005	No	No	No
FMC Jerry Prout, Fax: 202-956-5235	11/14/2005	No	No	No
LANXESS Corporation Jamie B. Schaeffer, Fax: 412-809-3614	11/14/2005	No	No	No
Monsanto Corporation Michael Parrish, Fax: 202-789-1867	11/14/2005	No	No	No
Syngenta Mike Blythe, Fax: 336-632-6084	11/14/2005	No	No	No
Valent USA Robin Demouth, Fax: 925-256-2776	11/14/2005	No	No	No

Technical comments:³

The Commission suggests that the article description on page 1 of this report be used in the proposed new heading in order to capitalize the chemical name and to provide the proper HTS subheading reference.

³ The Commission may express an opinion on the HTS classification of a product to facilitate consideration of the bill. However, by law, only the U.S. Customs Service is authorized to issue a binding ruling on this matter. The Commission believes that the U.S. Customs Service should be consulted prior to enactment of the bill.

109TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3346

To suspend temporarily the duty on 2 benzylthio-3-ethyl sulfonyl pyridine.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 19, 2005

Mr. LAHOOD introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on 2 benzylthio-3-ethyl
sulfonyl pyridine.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. 2 BENZYLTHIO-3-ETHYL SULFONYL PYRIDINE.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter II of chapter 99 of
5 the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States is
6 amended by inserting in numerical sequence the following
7 new heading:

“	9902.05.70	2 benzylthio-3-ethyl sulfonyl pyridine (CAS No. 175729– 82–5) provided for in sub- heading 2933.39.6190)	Free	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2009	”.
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1 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
2 subsection (a) applies to goods entered, or withdrawn from
3 warehouse for consumption, on or after the 15th day after
4 the date of enactment of this Act.

